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1. AMB IDRIS, DEPUTY INDODEL ICCS, GAVE EMBOFF BRIEFING OCT 1 ON BACKGROUND OF PROBLEMS REESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN INDONESIA AND GVN. AFTER EXPLAINING HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF DEVELOPMENTS DURING SUKARNO PERIOD, IDRIS REMARKED ON DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS REGARD DURING PARIS MEETINGS HE CONDUCTED WITH THEN FOREIGN MINISTER LAM IN PARIS.

2. A SERIES OF MEETINGS WERE HELD IN WHICH IDRIS PARTICIPATED, WITH FONMIN MALIK INVOLVED IN FINAL MEETING. ACCORDING IDRIS, ALL POINTS IN DISCUSSION HAD BEEN AGREED AND HE WAS TO PICK UP FINAL PIECE OF PAPER ESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AT LIAISON OFFICE LEVEL FROM FON OFF IN SAIGON UPON HIS RETURN FROM PARIS.

3. AFTER RETURNING SAIGON, IDRIS FOUND THAT THE INDO TRADE REPRESENTATIVE HAD BEEN GIVEN THE FINAL NOTICE BUT THAT IT INCLUDED NEW GVN CONDITIONS. THESE INCLUDED THE REQUIREMENT THAT
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INDONESIA EXPEL THE NLF OFFICE IN JAKARTA AND UNDERTAKE NOT TO

RECOGNIZE THE PRG. NEITHER POINT HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED BY THE GVN IN PARIS WITH HIM OR FONMIN MALIK. IDRIS BELIEVES ADDITION WAS PALACE-DICTATED AND DID NOT COME FROM THE FONOFF. UPSET BY THIS LAST-MINUTE CHANGE, IDRIS ASKED FOR A MEETING WITH MIN KY IN FONOFF AND CONFIRMED THAT THESE CONDITIONS HAD IN FACT BEEN IMPOSED BY GVN AFTER AGREEMENT REACHED IN PARIS. IDRIS COMMUNICATED THIS NEWS TO FONOFF IN JAKARTA WHICH THEN REFUSED TO CARRY DISCUSSION FORWARD.

4. IDRIS' VANITY IS INVOLVED IN ALL THIS AND HE TAKES NEGATIVE VIEW OF ANY CHANGE NOW IN GOI POSITION. WE WILL KEEP AFTER GVN TO WORK ON IDRIS AND ESPECIALLY DHARSONO HERE AND, WITH PERHAPS BETTER PROSPECT OF SUCCESS, TO TAKE FURTHER INITIATIVE IN DJAKARTA.
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